

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of claims:

Claims 1-21 (canceled)

Claim 22 (previously presented) A wireless system comprising a first and a second base stations, wherein said first base station comprises memory means for storing first identification information for specifying a terminal, and wherein said second base station comprises:

allocation means for allocating second identification information to the terminal for specifying the terminal; and

request means for requesting the first base station to release the first identification information stored in said memory means.

Claim 23 (previously presented) A wireless system according to claim 22, wherein said second base station comprises notifying means for notifying a control apparatus in the wireless system about identification information of the second base station and the second identification information.

Claim 24 (currently amended) A wireless system according to claim 22, wherein said first base station is enabled to allocate the first identification information to another terminal in response to a request of releasing the first identification information.

Claim 25 (currently amended) A method of allocating identification information to a terminal in a wireless system, comprising the steps of:

storing first identification information in a first base station for specifying the terminal;

allocating second identification information from a second base station to the terminal for specifying the terminal; and

storing the second identification information in a second base station; and requesting from the second base station the first base station to release the first identification information.

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Claim 26 (previously presented) A method according to claim 25, further comprising the step of notifying a control apparatus in the wireless system about identification information of the second base station and the second identification information.

Claims 27-28 (canceled)

Claim 29 (new) A wireless system according to claim 22, wherein said second base station comprises receiving means for receiving from the terminal third identification information for specifying the first base station in a sequence for allocating the second identification information.

Claim 30 (new) A method according to claim 25, further comprising the step of enabling the first base station to allocate the first identification information to another terminal in

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response to a request of releasing the first identification information.

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Claim 31 (new) A method according to claim 25, further comprising the step of receiving at the second base station from the terminal third identification information for specifying the first base station in a sequence for allocating the second identification information.